Level 1 Validation Summary Notes

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This document includes detailed notes about utility practices as reviewed during third-party level-one water audit validation.

This document is not a required submission to the California Department of Water Resources. It is meant to provide background and documentation of the validation process.

Call Information

Utility	Validator
Utility Name: Georgetown Divide Public Utility District	Validator: Isabel Szendrey, Water Systems Optimization
Utility Participants: Adam Brown	Validator Qualifications: Water Audit Validator Certificate from the AWWA
Call Date: 9/17/2019	California Nevada Section

Validation Call Notes

Audit Input	Grade	Audit Input Notes	Data Validity Grade Notes
Volume from Own Sources	5	Source Meter Profile: Two water treatment plants supply	Approximate Percent of Volume Metered: 100%
		volume of own sources. One finished water meter at each	Approximate Percent Tested and/or Calibrated: 50%
		plant.	Calibration Frequency: Annual.
		Derivation: Manual reads from production meters as archived.	Volumetric Testing Frequency: None.
		Comments: Input derivation from supporting documents	Volumetric Testing Method: n/a.
		confirmed. Exclusion of non-potable volumes confirmed.	Comments: No additional comments.
Volume from Own Sources	3	Derivation: Left blank in absence of available test data.	Source Meter Read Method: Manual.
Master Meter and Supply		Change in Storage Considered: No.	Source Meter Read Frequency: Daily .
Error Adjustment		Comments: No additional comments.	Data Review Practices: Monthly.
			Real-Time Storage Level Monitoring: Yes.
			Comments: Production data is not logged automatically and net
			storage change as limiting criteria for DVG.
Water Imported	n/a	Import Meter Profile: No import volume	
Water Imported	n/a	Derivation: n/a	
Master Meter and Supply			
Error Adjustment			
Water Exported	n/a	Export Meter Profile: No export volume	
Water Exported Master	n/a	Derivation: n/a	
Meter and Supply Error			
Adjustment			

Billed Metered Authorized Consumption	5	Derivation: Customer Meter Profile: Read Frequency: Bi-monthly. Reading Technology: Manual. Age Profile: Most meters approx. 40 years Comments: Lag-time correction is not employed in input derivation. Input derivation from supporting documents confirmed. Exclusion of non-potable volumes confirmed.	Approximate Percent Metered: 100% Small Meter Testing Practices: Reactive - complaint based or flagged-consumption testing only. Number of Small Meters Tested: Few/ year Large Meter Testing Practices: None. Number of Large Meters Tested: None General Replacement Practices: Upon failure only. Billing Data Review: Standard billing QC, plus review of volumes by use type each billing cycle. Comments: No additional comments.
Billed Unmetered Authorized Consumption	n/a	Profile: No unmetered accounts	n/a
Unbilled Metered Authorized Consumption	n/a	Profile: No unbilled metered accounts	Policy for Billing Exemptions: Limited to own facilities.
Unbilled Unmetered Authorized Consumption	5	Profile: Uses include GDPUD building, 2 water treatment plants, operational flushing and fire department usage. Comments: Previous year's estimate of known uses was equivalent to approximately 0.25% of supply volume. Additional 0.25% of supply volume assumed for other uses.	Comments: Estimates provided for some uses but not all.
Unauthorized Consumption	5	Comments: Default input applied.	Comments: Default grade applied.
Customer Metering Inaccuracies	3	Derivation: Calculated as simple average of a very limited meter study performed in 2014. Comments: No additional comments. *See BMAC comments regarding meter testing & replacement activities.	Customer Meter Testing: Limited (upon request AND consumption flag only). Customer Meter Replacement: Limited (upon failure only). Comments: No additional comments.
Systematic Data Handling Errors	5	Comments: Default input applied.	Comments: Default grade applied.
Length of Mains	3	Derivation: Totaled from GIS based map. Hydrant Laterals Included: Yes. Comments: No additional comments.	Map Format: Digital. Asset Management Systems: Not currently in place. Map Update Process: Some updates have been done recently. Comments: No additional comments.
Number of Service Connections	7	Derivation: Standard report run from billing system. Basis for Query: Account ID. Comments: No additional comments.	Field Validation: Accomplished through normal meter reading processes. Estimate of Error: 1%. Comments: No additional comments.

Average Operating Pressure	2	How Pressure is Maintained: System is mostly gravity fed. Small number of customers served by pumping. There are 8 pressure zones and 50 pressure reducing stations. Pressure Range: 5 – 135 psi Derivation: Rudimentary estimate. Comments: No additional comments.	Pressure Data Collection: Hydrant pressures taken during routine system flushing and/or hydrant testing. Real-Time Monitoring: No real-time monitoring currently in place. Hydraulic Model: None currently in place. Comments: No additional comments.
Annual Operating Cost	10	Derivation: From official financial reports. Comments: Confirmed costs limited to water only, and water debt service included.	Auditing Practices: Annually by a third party CPA. Comments: No additional comments.
Customer Retail Unit Cost	8	Rate Structure: Simple flat rate Derivation: Total consumptive revenue divided by Billed Metered Authorized Consumption. Sewer charges are not based on water meter readings. Sewer revenues are not applicable. Comments: No additional comments.	M36 Review: Input calculations have not been reviewed by an M36 water loss expert. Comments: No additional comments.
Variable Production Cost	5	Primary Costs: Own sources only. Secondary Costs: None currently included. Comments: No additional comments.	M36 Review: Primary costs only. Input calculations have not been reviewed by an M36 water loss expert. Comments: No additional comments.

Infrastructure & Water Loss Management Practices:

Infrastructure age profile: Most original infrastructure approx. 70 years old Infrastructure replacement policy (current, historic): Replace as needed Estimated main failures/year: 20 Estimated service failures/year:

Extent of proactive leakage management: None currently in place.

Other water loss management comments: No additional comments.